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Subject: endangered and threatened species list request from EPA

Dear Ms. Baker,

Sally Brough suggested I contact you to inquire about a request I submitted to the FWS on June 27, 2001 for a list of threatened and endangered species under FWS jurisdiction in Washington, including those which come into contact with marine waters. The request was submitted in writing to Gerry A. Jackson and Linda Hallock and concerns the EPA approval of changes to Washington's Water Quality Standards, which include changes in acute and chronic marine water copper and cyanide criteria. As part of this process, the EPA must comply with the Section 7 consultation requirements of the Endangered Species Act. The changes in the copper criteria apply to marine waters off the Washington coast and in Puget Sound, while the cyanide criteria changes apply solely to Puget Sound, necessitating that the species list be divided accordingly.

Any information you have about the status of my species list request will be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 206.553.6316.

Sincerely,

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